

in the statutes; the importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and the Rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on April 5, 1967, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 25, 1967: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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## WATER DISTRICTS—IMPROVEMENTS—BONDS

### CHAPTER 600

#### H. B. No. 186

An Act relating to the prohibition against substantial alterations in approved plans and specifications of projects and improvements undertaken by water districts and providing actions against directors of a district who do not comply with plans and specifications approved by the Texas Water Rights Commission; amending Section 139, Chapter 25, Acts of the 39th Legislature, Regular Session, 1925, as amended (Article 7880—139, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

Section 1. Section 139, Chapter 25, Acts of the 39th Legislature, Regular Session, 1925, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 336, Acts of the 57th Legislature, Regular Session, 1961 (Article 7880—139, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended <sup>71</sup> to read as follows:

"Section 139. The Texas Water Rights Commission shall be and is constituted a commission to investigate and report upon the organization and feasibility of all districts which shall issue bonds under the provisions hereof. All such districts desiring to issue bonds for any purpose shall submit in writing to the commission an application for investigation, together with a copy of the engineer's report and a copy of data, profiles, maps, plans, and specifications prepared in connection therewith. The commission or its designated agents shall examine same and shall visit the project and carefully inspect the same and may ask for and shall be supplied with additional data and information requisite to a reasonable and careful investigation of the project and proposed improvements. They shall file in their office in writing their suggestions for changes and improvement and furnish a copy thereof to the board of directors of such district. If the commission shall finally approve or refuse to approve such project, or the issuance of bonds for such improvements, they shall make a full written report thereon, file same in their office and furnish a copy of same to the board of directors of said district. During the course of construction of such project and improvements, no substantial alterations shall be made in the plans and specifications without the approval of the commission. The commission or its designated agent shall have full authority to inspect the works of improvement at any time during construction to determine if the project is being constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications approved by the commission.

71. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 7880—139.

In the event the commission finds that the project is not being constructed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications, then the commission immediately shall notify in writing by certified mail each member of the board of directors of such water district and its manager, if there be one. If, within 10 days after the notice is mailed, the directors of the district do not take steps to insure that the project is being constructed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications, the commission shall give written notice of that fact to the attorney general. When the attorney general receives this notice, he may bring an action for injunctive relief, or he may bring quo warranto proceedings against the directors. Venue for either of these actions is exclusively in the District Court of Travis County. 'Designated agent,' as used in this section shall mean any licensed engineer selected by the commission to perform the functions as specified herein."

Sec. 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this Rule is hereby suspended.

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## COASTAL INDUSTRIAL WATER AUTHORITY

### CHAPTER 601 <sup>72</sup>

#### H. B. No. 373

An Act creating a conservation and reclamation district to be known as Coastal Industrial Water Authority; prescribing its boundaries, governing body, powers, authority, privileges, duties, functions, and restrictions; providing that said Authority shall have no power to levy taxes; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

Section 1. Under and pursuant to the provisions of Section 59 of Article XVI of the Constitution of Texas, a conservation and reclamation district is hereby created and incorporated within the State of Texas, in addition to all other districts into which the state has heretofore been divided, to be known as "Coastal Industrial Water Authority" (hereinafter referred to as the "Authority"). The Authority shall be a governmental agency and a body politic and corporate.

Sec. 2. The boundaries of the Authority shall be as follows:

Being part of the West portion of Liberty County, Texas, part of the West portion of Chambers County, Texas, and all of Harris County, Texas, except incorporated areas (other than the City of Houston) as hereinafter expressly excluded, bounded as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the John A. Williams League, A-119 of Liberty County, Texas, on the West bank of the Trinity River, which point

72. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 8280—355, §§  
1-10.